



FIRST TUNNEL TRAIN STARTS AS ROOSEVELT PRESSES UPON BUTTON

President's Hand Sets in Motion the Power That Opens Regular Traffic Under Hudson River in McAdoo Tubes.

The first official train of the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company to journey from this city to Hoboken beneath the Hudson River was started at 3:40 o'clock this afternoon, when President Roosevelt pressed a button in the White House and switched on the power in the McAdoo tunnel.

The train made up of eight cars and carried with one thousand guests, was waiting at the Nineteenth street and Sixth avenue station, when the President's signal was received. The station was dark and the third rails dead, but the train was brilliantly lighted by its storage battery.

When everything was ready and the doors of the train closed, the following telegram was sent along a clear wire to the White House:

"To the President of the United States: The first official train of the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company under the Hudson River awaits your signal and pleasure."

WILLIAM C. McADOO.

The operator cleared this message at 6:30 o'clock. At exactly three hours, forty minutes and thirty seconds past noon the lights in the Nineteenth street station leaped up and the power rushed into the motor of the first car.

THE LEVER

The World's greatest printed 1,405,032 separate advertisements last year—292,747 more than the Herald or ANY OTHER newspaper ANYWHERE.

THE FULCRUM

The World's great army of readers—the net paid city circulation of the Morning, Evening and Sunday World exceeds that of any other Morning, Evening and Sunday newspaper combined by more than 2,000,000 copies per month.

THE POWER

By offering its readers more advertised opportunities than any other newspaper on earth, the World attracts the vast majority of those who have "want" to be filled.

THE WEIGHT

that World Ads. lift with ease:

Results

ALDERMEN APPROVE KRUGER MONUMENT

Also Propose a Memorial Building for All Gallant Firemen Killed at Work.

The Board of Aldermen, by a rising vote, unanimously adopted and spread upon its minutes today resolutions regarding the erection of a memorial to the death of Charles W. Kruger, deputy chief of the Fire Department, reported by the Committee on Rules, and unanimously adopted a resolution offered by Alderman Douli, approving action of the Board of Aldermen in proposing to erect a monument to his memory.

Alderman Dowling then moved that the names of all firemen of whatever rank killed this year be spread upon the minutes. This was also carried.

Alderman Mitchell next moved the erection of an appropriate memorial building, arch or column in memory of the gallant firemen who have fallen in the discharge of their duty, and that a competition be invited, under the auspices of the Municipal Art Commission, to the end that such memorial may be a work of art worthy of the metropolis of the Western Hemisphere.

MORGAN TO SAIL FOR EUROPE TO-MORROW.

J. Pierpont Morgan will sail for Europe to-morrow on the Adriatic. He will go directly to London.

The fact that Mr. Morgan regards the financial situation as sufficiently cleared to permit him to go abroad was interpreted as a favorable indication in Wall street and in banking circles generally.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for New York City and vicinity: Rain and warmer to-night; Wednesday rain. Increasing east to south winds, becoming high.

SENT TO PRISON AFTER PATHETIC PLEA TO JUDGE

Austin F. Montayne Points Out His Services as a Union Soldier.

Austin F. Montayne, the aged man arrested some time ago charged with complicity in the smuggling of several costly gowns from Paris, was today sentenced to four months' imprisonment in the Penitentiary by Judge Hough, in the United States District Court.

Lawyer Hugh Gordon Miller made a touching plea to the Court for mercy in the aged prisoner's behalf. Judge Hough was in possession of a letter from Montayne, which said:

"The case before Your Honor did not involve any officials at all, as you can see from the testimony of Mrs. Parker, who brought over the goods in question. Whatever I did in reference to this matter was done in France, and I did not understand as I do now that my action there as a mere agent for others as a matter of law was a crime against the United States."

"In this business," was practically the agent of a well-known Paris firm whose agent (not mine) did the actual arranging abroad, as is borne out by the statement of Mrs. Parker.

"The parties owning the goods in question have immunity, while it is sought to punish a mere agent."

Refers to Another Case.

The District Attorney stated that I should report any case I have heard of. Take the case of a prominent man of wealth in this city. I am informed that thousands of dollars worth of diamonds were found in the house, smuggled in by grown members of the family, and that offense was made more serious by the helping of customs inspectors with money. I ask that the Government bring the officers and all connected with this case before the Grand Jury, treating the rich and poor alike. I am willing to go before the Grand Jury about any of these matters, with a view to aid the Government.

"I am an American, born in Cortland County, N. Y. I have never been charged with any crime before this, have managed businesses in New York for the past twenty years. I have paid the United States Government close to \$300,000 in duties. I am now an old man, and have been ruined by this case. I have been dragged through the streets shamed to negroes, and have been in prison for seven weeks in the Tombs Prison. God knows I have been punished all that a humane government should ask."

"The ones who were to benefit have been granted immunity by the Government. I am informed, while I, who have served the country and have a gun in defense of this country, am here in prison, and have been ruined by this case, and have been dragged through the streets shamed to negroes, and have been in prison for seven weeks in the Tombs Prison. God knows I have been punished all that a humane government should ask."

Pleads Age, Too.

"I cannot believe, in view of all these considerations, including my age and my service to the country on the union side of the civil war, having left college at sixteen years of age to enlist, and at a period of the struggle when I naturally expected neither holiday nor excitement nor glory. I say that the representatives of the Government will desire to punish me further and to give me the only prison sentence inflicted in this matter in which so many others are involved with the same common purpose."

Montayne, who is nearly seventy years old, pleaded to the smuggling charge and drew himself on the mercy of the Court, supposing that he would be let off with a fine.

LONG SHOTS GET AN INNING AT NEW ORLEANS

Devout, 15 to 1, Wins by a Head, and Chancellor, 20 to 1, Gallops in Third.

(Special to The Evening World.)

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 25.—An unexpected rain storm this morning upset all the arrangements for the racing at City Park today. When the rain was done the track was left deep with a soft mud and as the programme had been framed for a fast track, it was but natural that there would be a change in the complexion of affairs. Altogether there were thirty-five scratches almost a record number for the season and the fields that stood out as strong numerically were reduced to comfortable size. Another peculiar thing about the card was that five of the seven races were at seven furlongs. Three of them were splits of one half entrance split and the fifth and sixth another split of a big crowd of cheap punters in point of class the best field engaged was that in the two-year-old race in which half a dozen well tried youngsters that had previously shown good form paraded.

FIRST RACE—Purse \$200; four-year-olds and upward, selling; seven furlongs. 19 (N. Walsh), 20 to 1, won by a head; 2 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, second; 3 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, third. Time—1:22.5.

SECOND RACE—Purse \$200; four-year-olds and upward, selling; seven furlongs. 19 (N. Walsh), 20 to 1, won by a head; 2 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, second; 3 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, third. Time—1:22.5.

THIRD RACE—Purse \$200; four-year-olds and upward, selling; seven furlongs. 19 (N. Walsh), 20 to 1, won by a head; 2 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, second; 3 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, third. Time—1:22.5.

FOURTH RACE—Purse \$200; four-year-olds and upward, selling; seven furlongs. 19 (N. Walsh), 20 to 1, won by a head; 2 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, second; 3 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, third. Time—1:22.5.

FIFTH RACE—Purse \$200; four-year-olds and upward, selling; seven furlongs. 19 (N. Walsh), 20 to 1, won by a head; 2 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, second; 3 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, third. Time—1:22.5.

SIXTH RACE—Purse \$200; four-year-olds and upward, selling; seven furlongs. 19 (N. Walsh), 20 to 1, won by a head; 2 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, second; 3 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, third. Time—1:22.5.

SEVENTH RACE—Purse \$200; four-year-olds and upward, selling; seven furlongs. 19 (N. Walsh), 20 to 1, won by a head; 2 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, second; 3 (J. L. Smith), 10 to 1, third. Time—1:22.5.

WOMAN SHOTS LAWYER AFTER ASKING ADVICE OF HER FRIENDS

CAPTAIN KELLEHER FROM TENDERLOIN TO CLEAR "TERROR" ZONE

Replaces Farrell, Transferred by Gen. Bingham After "Untipped" Auto Trip Which Results in Charges Against 30 Lieutenants.

Following an all-night automobile tour of the burglar-infested district of the upper west side, in which Commissioner Bingham and his four deputies found an almost complete demoralization of the early platoons, the Commissioner began to switch captains about this afternoon.

Capt. John J. Farrell was sent down to the Tenderloin from the West Sixty-eighth street station, Acting Captain "Barney" Kelleher moving up from the Thirtieth street station to replace him. Farrell's post in the Tenderloin is only temporary, it is said, as the Commissioner intends to find him a secluded spot in the woods.

In the course of the automobile inspection tour last night no less than thirty lieutenants were discovered either asleep or away from their posts of duty.

The men under them were taking life easy and patrolling the streets according to their own free disposition in the matter.

Only yesterday Commissioner Bingham laid the blame for the increase of crime upon the shoulders of property-owners who failed to secure their doors and windows against invasion. To-day he is compelled to admit that the patrol of his men in the crime-infested districts is almost completely demoralized.

To Try Thirty Lieutenants.

The thirty lieutenants who were easily slumbering or visiting in places remote from where duty demanded their presence will all be brought up on charges, and three captains who command precincts in the upper and lower west side will in a few days be switched to warlike places in the Bronx and Station Island.

In fact, the Commissioner is boiling over with rage as a result of last night's inspection tour. From many sources have been hurled at him the accusations that his force was completely demoralized—that his men were sulking their own convenience and having a jolly time with their pet dogs and awnings, and that discipline was a thing of the past, referred to as having obtained in the Devery era or the Inspector Byrnes decade.

Commissioner Bingham has declared that it was not the fault of the "system," but of the hapless victims of the clever crooks at large.

Hot Time Due Delinquents.

Now that he must take even this back, he is going to heat the furnaces at No. 30 Mulberry street and have a wholesale roasting. He is going to shake up the department as he has never shaken up before. Inspectors, captains and lieutenants will be held before his bar of discipline and justice in platoons and battalions, and fines and punishments will be laid out without ruth.

There was not a precinct through which the Commissioner and his four deputies motored last night in which there was even a decent semblance of discipline, and it was forcibly brought home to Gen. Bingham that the reports that patrolling policemen were scarier than burglars were not hysterical and unfounded.

The inspection party drove silently about on their tour. The "tip" did not get out. No men were called down for dereliction of duty, making it possible for them to pass along the word that the situation was out of hand. Names of delinquents and their details were kept down, and then the automobiles separated and swooped down simultaneously on four station-houses. Arriving at the stations, the same demoralization that existed on posts was found. Officers slumbered when they should have been alert. Lieutenants who should have been on reserve were cozily sleeping at home.

Three Captains Caught Napping.

Three captains were found in situations that called down upon them a tirade of rebuke, and those three captains are to-day awaiting news of their transfer to the frozen glades of the city's outskirts.

So great was the wrath of Commissioner Bingham to-day that he could not talk about his inspection tour. He and his deputies were closeted in conference, preparing to draw up a wholesale set of charges that will rock several precincts to their foundation.

In view of all this the Commissioner's remarks yesterday are pathetic. He said:

"The people of New York are altogether too careless. When retiring they never seem to think of seeing that the windows and doors are securely fastened. All a burglar has to do is to walk up the steps, step over the window ledge, raise the window and enter."

He might have added that the burglar could be accompanied by a gang of wreckers and take away the house and not be in any grave danger of disturbance by the police.

ALDERMAN ASKS CITY TO HIRE PRIVATE SLEUTHS AS POLICE.

At the meeting of the Board of Aldermen to-day Alderman Douli introduced a resolution calling for the issue of special revenue bonds to the amount of \$50,000, the proceeds to pay for the employment of competent private detectives from responsible detective agencies in this city, under the direction of Mayor McClellan or some person designated by him, such detectives to be appointed special officers and to do duty in citizens' dress from 8 o'clock P. M. to 6 o'clock A. M. in sections of this city where burglaries and hold-ups occur.

Mr. Douli's resolution recites that the number of flat and private house burglaries on the upper west side of the city is an nightly terror, and that the Commissioner of Police, through the public press, has attempted to secure their homes against forcible and unlawful entry, as an apparent excuse for not giving proper police protection and as a confession of his inability to cope with the situation with his present force."

Charles M. Sanford May Die of Injuries Inflicted by Jennie Blunt, Who Accuses Him of Wrecking Her Life.

DELIBERATELY PLANNED ACT AND AWAITED VICTIM. Wounded Man Denies Charge Made by His Assailant and Repeated by Her Sister—Helped Her When She Was in Need, He Says.

After a week of deliberation and preparation, in the course of which she asked the advice of at least a dozen persons, including two ministers, who endeavored to dissuade her, Jennie Blunt, a comely young woman, to-day shot and seriously injured Charles M. Sanford, a leading Brooklyn lawyer. He is in Brooklyn Hospital and the surgeons say that they fear one of two bullets fired at him penetrated his brain. His skull is fractured and there is danger of a fatal hemorrhage.

The shooting took place in Mr. Sanford's office in the Garfield building, a Court street skyscraper, opposite the Borough Hall. The young woman attempted to escape but was followed from the building by Isaac Lublin, a lawyer, who caught her at Court and Montague streets and turned her over to a policeman.

Miss Blunt has been held without bail to await the result of Mr. Sanford's injuries. She says she is sorry she did not kill him outright. This disappointment is shared by her sister, Mrs. H. W. Tuttle, of No. 170 West 104th street, Flatbush, who knew that the crime had been planned.

The two women assert that Mr. Sanford, who is elderly and eminently respectable in his home town on Long Island, deceived Jennie seven years ago as a forced her into a life of degradation.

Denies Woman's Charge.

In an ante-mortem statement made to Coroner Brower this afternoon Mr. Sanford denied the charge. He said: "I first saw this woman four years ago when she came to my office and asked me to represent her in a proceeding she wished to bring against a Brooklyn man, who she said had wronged her. She gave me the names of two doctors attached to Sonoy Hospital who could, she said, substantiate her story. I investigated the matter, found there was no basis for an action and told her so. She then accused me of selling her out, and she has haunted and worried me ever since."

"My relations with her were always honorable. Sometimes, when she said she was starving, I gave her 25 cents. At times she cleaned my office, and for this service I paid her a dollar. My partner, Mr. Olmstead, warned me to drive her away to avoid trouble."

"She met me as I was entering my office this morning and followed me in. I had my back turned to her, opening some letters, when I heard two terrific explosions and felt as if the ceiling had fallen down on my head. I turned and saw her with a smoking revolver in her hand and knew she had shot me."

Like Evelyn Thaw, Sister Says.

Miss Blunt, in the police station, said that Mr. Sanford met her seven years ago. Her story, told at some length, was corroborated in every detail by her sister, Mrs. Tuttle, when the latter was seen this afternoon by an Evening World reporter.

"If Sanford is not dead," declared Mrs. Tuttle, "it is a pity. He deserved his fate as much as Stanford White did. My sister's case is like that of Evelyn Thaw."

"Seven years ago my sister, who was one of the prettiest and nicest girls in Mount Vernon, came down to Brooklyn to visit me. On her way back to New York to take the train she met Sanford. He cultivated her acquaintance and got her to come back from Mount Vernon and visit him."

"One of the rooms in his office was a study."

WOMAN ACCUSES TWO DETECTIVES OF BLACKMAIL

Says Son Was Sent to Prison Because She Refused to Pay \$100.

Detective Lieutenants Charles E. Hooker and Otto Ransberg were accused in the Court of General Sessions this afternoon of railroading a seventeen-year-old boy to Sing Sing because his mother refused to give them \$100.

The accusation was made under oath by Mrs. Mary Dougherty, of No. 323 East Seventy-fifth street, whose son, William, was sentenced by Judge Rosalsky a few days ago to serve a term of four years and six months.

Young Dougherty was arrested late last December, charged with stealing shoes from a Second avenue store, Mrs. Dougherty swore that on Dec. 29 and Jan. 3 Ransberg and Hooker called at her home and told her that unless she gave them \$100 they would put up a cop on her boy and send him to Sing Sing. She refused, she said.

"The boy was tried and convicted on Jan. 4, on the testimony of the two detectives, but Judge Rosalsky, who was in the custody of Mrs. Walker, a probation officer."

Four weeks later Ransberg and Hooker arrested young Dougherty again on a charge of stealing some tools. They took him before Judge Rosalsky, and on their evidence the parole was removed and the prison sentence was imposed.

Mrs. Dougherty sought Mrs. Walker and told of the alleged demand for \$100. Mrs. Walker reported to Judge Rosalsky, who ordered an investigation which resulted in the charge made in open court this afternoon. Both detectives denied Mrs. Dougherty's story.

THREE BURNED TO DEATH.

INTERNATIONAL FALLS, Minn., Feb. 25.—Three persons met death today and four were more or less injured in the burning of the Owens home here. The dead are a servant, a clerk and a baby.